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Juan Carlos Guardardo Convicted of Attempted Murder

Today, Michael Keitz, District Attorney for Madera County, announced a Madera Superior Court jury has convicted Juan Carlos Guardardo, a previously convicted felon, of attempted murder following a one week trial.

On August 4th, 2009, the Chowchilla Police Department sent officers to an "A" Street address in response to a report of a man brandishing a firearm towards a woman. Upon arrival, officers found the female victim, who had been shot in the back. She identified her assailant as Juan Guardardo. A search for Guardardo ensued and he was apprehended later that same day by Chowchilla Police.

Guardardo was convicted of attempted murder, assault with a deadly weapon, personal use of a firearm, possession of a firearm and ammunition by a convicted felon, and domestic violence. Guardardo was retained in the Madera County Department of Corrections and is expected to be sentenced on January 14th, 2010.